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COUNTRY: GUATEMALA
DOI: 7 JULY 1968
SUBJECT: GUATEMALA SITREP AS OF 9:00 PM LOCAL TIME, 7 JULY

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1. THE RESIDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR TO GUATEMALA WAS SUBJECTED TO A BOMBING ATTACK AT APPROXIMATELY 8:30 P.M. THE NIGHT OF 7 JULY 1968. THERE WERENO PERSONAL INJURIES AND NO MATERIAL DAMAGE TO RESIDENCE PROPERTY. REPORTEDLY UNIDENTIFIED INDIVIDUALS THREW AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE INTO THE FRONT YARD OF THE RESIDENCE, WHERE IT EXPLODED HARMLESSLY. [redacted] COMMENT: FROM THE LACK OF DAMAGE, IT APPEARS THAT THE EXPLOSION WAS DESIGNED MERELY FOR PROPAGANDA PURPOSES. WITNESSES AT THE SCENE REPORTED THAT THE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE WAS "A LITTLE MORE THAN A LARGE FIRECRACKER". CF. [redacted] WHICH REPORTED THAT THE GUATEMALAN COMMUNIST PARTY (PGT) PLANNED TO CARRY OUT BOMBING ATTACKS AT 9:00 PM ON 7 JULY).

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2. UNIDENTIFIED PERSONS PLACED A PACKAGE AT THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE PEACE CORPS IN GUATEMALA CITY AT APPROXIMATELY 9:00 P.M. BECAUSE IT WAS SUSPECTED THAT THE PACKAGE CONTAINED AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE, A BOMB DISPOSAL UNIT WAS CALLED TO DISARM IT. NO FURTHER INFORMATION KNOWN AT THIS TIME.

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4. [redacted] DISSEM: STATE, ARMY, AIR, SECRET SERVICE, CINCSO, CINCLANT.

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